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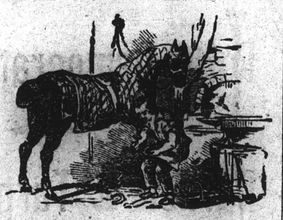

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It was in the latter buildings (which, for the benefit of the uninitiated I may explain, serve much the same purposes as an English town hall) that the traveling company that I had arranged to join at Kansas City, in the spring of 188—, usually gave its performances. The company I was about to join was one of those struggling combinations of which there are so many traveling the states. Upon the basis of a small amount of capital and a large stock of histrionic enthusiasm, the "leading man" of the company, who was also the manager, had "organized" the troupe for the exposition to the benighted denizens of the far west of the beauties of the legitimate drama in general, and of his own acting in particular. His wife was a little woman from Florida, and the darkness of her complexion and a certain blueness of the tinge of her finger-nails spoke pretty decidedly of an admixture of negro blood in herself or in her ancestors. I found, soon after I joined the company, that she had been tried in Shakespearian leading parts, but had so egregiously failedin them that even to the partial eyes of her spouse the fact was evident that a substitute for her in these roles must be found. The result was an advertisement in a New York theatrical paper, and my acceptance thereof, decided partly by the fact that I had been "resting" for a tediously long period, but more by the opportunity which seemed to be offered to me of gaining experience in the higher walks of the drama.

I found the manager, who rejoiced in the Transatlantically aristocratic name of Calhoun, extremely polite, indeed, perhaps rather too much so, considering that his wife was a member of the company. I must say, however, that this amiability on Mr. Calhoun's part arose much more from histrionic selfishness than from anything approaching gallantry. Like most enthusiastics, he would have sacrificed anything to improve the effect of his performances; and the fact that in me he found a leading lady who, whilst competent to sustain the characters allotted to her to the satisfaction of his audiences, was yet sufficiently modest to adopt his views of the proper treatment of a dramatic situation, had, I am sure, more to do with his cordiality than any personal admiration for myself. I need hardly say that the "views" alluded to generally dictated giving a prominence in his own performances and a retiring reserve in mine which was not in every case warranted by the author's text.

As for Mrs. Calhoun (Pepita, as her husband called her—an example we may as well, for the sake of brevity, follow), she showed her dislike for me the moment we met. It was, perhaps, too much to expect an actress who had made a failure in "leading business," and who had been relegated to the Charmians and Emilias of Shakesperian representations, to welcome with cordiality the individual who came to take her place. At the same time, I think Pepita might have been a little less demonstrative of her antipathy. When we met in the passages of the various theatres which we visited she swept past after the slightest of nods, turning to me with marked disdain her rounded, though somewhat swarthy shoulders; and whilst I was upon the stage I often caught a glimpse of her standing in the wings, glaring at me with eyes that shone with the lurid glare of bitter detestation.

I soon discovered that, in addition to her hatred of me as a dramatic rival, Pepita cherished a feeling of jealousy of another kind. Knowing how deeply artistic egotism drowned every other voice in Mr. Calhoun's breast, I was much amused at this ridiculous fancy on her part; and I am ashamed to say that, to annoy Pepita, I often elaborated the "business" between Mr. Calhoun and myself, especially in scenes of an amorous nature. I had, however, to be careful how I did this; for the tragedian, whose mind was entirely occupied with himself and the effect he was producing upon the audience, was inclined to be uneasy at my thus putting myself forward; and I saw clearly that the day on which I cast him distinctly into the shade would be the day on which I should receive a firm but courteous "notice."

I will pass over several weeks of experience of this sort, during which I had firmly established myself in the good graces of the various members of the company, (with the exception always of the hostile Pepita), and come to the time of our visit to the little city of Selma, in the state of ——. I generally made a point, in the places in which we played, of making the acquaintance of a few of the more respectable of the inhabitants. Manners are much franker and more simple in this particular than with you in England, and a well-conducted young woman in a traveling company is received with hospitality by the unconventional people of the western townships. During our stay at Selma I had made the acquaintance of the family of Deacon Clay, which consisted of one strapping girl and three stalwart sons, all about (or over) six feet in height. The eldest and most stalwart of these three was named Saul, and it was he who in the forenoons during the first three days of our stay at Selma showed me the "lions" of the place, the water-fall, the saw-mill, and the "Maiden's Leap"—for Selma, like other places, had its romantic traditions. On the fourth, as I, like Oliver, "asked for more," he proposed to take me on a visit to "Old Leathers." I consented, and on our way to this curious personage's abode he gave me some information about him.

Old Leathers, appears, was a harmless lunatic, who lived on odd jobs and the charity of the neighboring farmers. His particular weakness was a friendship for snakes in general, and rattlesnakes in particular. To avoid the danger of being bitten by these reptiles, he invariably wore a suit of soft leather, boots, jerkin, in all—hence his cognomen.

We started from the town in one of those boxes upon wheels, which are dignified in the west by the name of "wagons;" and after a jolting drive of several miles arrived at a glen between the two "bluffs." At the top of this Saul fastened the horses and led me carefully down the narrow path which wound its way to the bottom of the little valley. It was bestrewn with masses of rock of all sizes and shapes some twenty feet above this, Saul hallooed, and a figure, which I saw at once must be "Old Leathers," appeared in answer to the summons, like a demon through a trap in a pantomime.

The old man was eccentrically clad in the suit of leather in which I had been prepared to see him attired, and the skin of a raccoon with the tail hanging gracefully behind, formed a characteristic covering for his grey head. His features were deeply marked with age and a hard frontier life, but had an appearance of haleness and health only seen in those habituated to an open-air existence.

"Here's a young lady come all the way from New York to see you," said Saul, with pardonable exaggeration—Old Leathers took off his cap and bowed with the air of a polished courtier—"Can't you show her your pets?"

"Why, yes," said the old man. "But you must not be frightened," he continued, with a genial smile, "it's not every one that fancies 'em. Keep quiet, and I will bring them out."

Though considerably nervous, I concealed a cowardice which I felt that Saul would have despised, and was silent, whilst the old man took a flute from his pocket, and began to play one of those "Christy Minstrel" airs which are so popular in the United States.

Then I saw a sight which astonished me. From under each of the numerous blocks of stone which were scattered around came a snake. "Copperheads," spotted with copper-colored splotches not only on the head but all over the body; "garter-snakes," gray and yellow-green, were there; but the majority of the audience at Old Leathers' concert belonged to the species designated in natural history books as the "deadly" rattlesnake. They came forward and curled and wound themselves about Old Leathers' ankles, their heads gliding upwards over his legs, moving as if in caress, and then falling to the ground, rising again to repeat the motion. The quaint figure of the old frontiersman; the grotesque contract between the strains of "Mother, I am Dying Fast," and the general surroundings; the background of rocky cliffs and irregular rock-strewn grass and the sight of the ever-moving, silent reptiles, whom my fancy and their constant restless motion multiplied into thrice their number, had a strange effect upon my senses. Louder and longer sounded the soft notes of the flute; faster and faster coiled and uncoiled themselves the supple bodies of the snakes; till, at last, I felt a sort of mesmeric drowsiness coming over me, and had I gazed at this strange spectacle much longer, I believe, despite my horror of snakes in general, and "rattlers" in particular, I should have left the spot where I was standing and joined in a tarantala dance with Old Leathers' favorites.

But the music ceased, and almost before he had time to put up his instrument every snake had disappeared as suddenly as he came. I pressed the old man to take a reward for his exhibition, but he courteously refused. "If you would like to buy one, miss," he said; "I sell many to menageries, and send some to England." Seeing my horror, he added, "You would not be the first, miss. Only this morning ——" "Oh, no!" I interrupted him in horror. Thanking him for his courtesy, we departed as we had come, but by what seemed an easier path. As we climbed it I noticed on the ground a glove. On picking it up I saw it was a woman's, and unobtrusively put into my pocket, and we gained the wagon and drove home as fast as Deacon Clay's two trotters could carry us.

It had been arranged that we should play "Antony and Cleopatra" on that particular evening, by particular desire of the deacon and leading inhabitants of Selma, and I asked Saul to drive quickly that I might be back in time for the "call" at 12. On arriving at the hall, I found a warm altercation going on between Mr. Calhoun and his wife. She had formerly attempted the part of Cleopatra, and I believe it was the one in which she was least unsatisfactory. But I really believe that her strongest objection to my undertaking the role arose from her distate for the demonstrations of affection which the dramatist's lines suggest between the amorous Antony and the Egyptian queen.

I was obliged to be a listener to this connubial dispute; and from what I heard I gathered that the conduct of Pepita had of late not been entirely exemplary, and it was as much to teach her a lesson as to secure an adequate representation of the part that her husband refused, in not too civil terms, to alter the cast of "Antony and Cleopatra." Pepita might play Charmian if she chose; otherwise she might "leave it alone."

At this refusal the passionate temper of the mestizo flared into flame. She first of all poured out upon the head of her devoted husband a flood of abuse which I need not write down here; and, then turning to me, she scoided me soundly for having "supplanted her," as she called it. "Yes," she said, her black eyes flashing, her nostrils dilated, and her hand clenched in a style that if she could only have reproduced it on the stage, would have made her successful as a tragedienne, "you have taken my bread out of my mouth, and you have taken my husband; but, mark my words, you won't live to enjoy either!" Then her eyes falling upon the glove which happened to be protruding from the pocket of my ulster, she cried, "Thief! would you take everything?" snatched the glove away, and dashed, weeping wildly, out of the place.

I was surprised to discover that it was Pepita's glove which I had picked up, and an uneasy wonder now it came to be left where I had found it hovered, so to speak, at the back of my brains for some hours. But, as the e were also occupied with the very harassing work of rehearsing, it was not strange that my "secondary musings" had no definite result.

There was a sort of suppressed hostility in Pepita's manner when we met at the theatre in the evening. She was paler than usual, and more reflective and abstracted. She played Charmian as if in a dream. There was evidently something on, or in, her mind which made her manner so unusual. Once, when her husband attempted to enter her dressing-room, she slammed the door in his face and bolted it on the inside.

The play proceeded, as usual, till we came to the well known scene of Cleopatra's suicide in the last act. The actor who played the clown was ushered in by Cleopatra's handmaidens, and in answer to my question, "Hast thou the pretty worm of Nilus there, that kills and hurts not?" delivered the speech set down for him. While waiting for my cue, I was harassed by a sound for which I could not account. It was a gentle 'whirr,' like a dry pea rattling in its pod. I tried dreamily to localize this noise; and it is a curious instance of the difficulty of decision in these cases that it was not until I had actually taken the basket into my hand that I found that the sound was caused by something inside it.

The exigencies of the stage leave no time for hesitation. Come what may the business of a scene must not stop. I took the basket from the clown, and, after speaking the lines which precede the action, raised the lid, and took what I presumed was the usual "property" snake from its interior.

I shall never forget the shudder of repulsion that ran over my body as I felt the clammy, oozing thing which I had grasped. A sort of restriction of the muscles took place which prevented my loosing my hold, even when I saw it contained a large rattlesnake, which, stirred to a high pitch of anger by its restraint, was drawing back its head, with its neck in exactly the shape of a note of interrogation, its mouth open, and its little eyes sparkling with rage, whilst it agitated its rattle savagely. In another moment it darted its nose against my neck with a force that was startling, and, overcome with sickening horror, I fainted.

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When I came to myself I was suffering an intolerably burning pain in my neck. Saul Clay was standing near the sofa in the dressing-room, to which I had been carried after I had fainted. In a few words of deep feeling he told me that he had witnessed the accident, and, though not able to prevent the snake biting me, had applied the rough, but generally effective, frontier remedy of placing some gunpowder upon the bleeding wound and igniting it. It was to this readiness of action on his part that I probably owed my life. The snake had escaped in the confusion.

I was brought to the belief that but for Saul's remedy my fate would have been sealed, by a shocking occurrence which happened the same night. It appeared that Mrs. Calhoun had determined to leave her husband. Late in the night she took the keys of the building from her husband's pocket, and came to the theatre, probably to procure some expensive dresses which were in her room behind the scenes. Whilst groping about for a light she must have trodden upon the snake, which probably dropped through a chink in the stage into her apartment; and when the janitor came in the morning, he found her stiff in death. Some letters in a man's hand, which were discovered in her pocket, explained her plans.

This painful event broke up the company. Learning that I was about to undertake a tedious journey back to New York, the good deacon persuaded me to remain with him till I might be able to bear of another engagement. I remained, and it was not long before one was offered me. The most perspicacious of my readers will have already foreseen that it came from Saul Clay, and that part which I was to fill was that of his wife. I accepted the role, and he says that I fill it to satisfaction; in fact, "leave nothing to be desired." A blue mark on my neck, which nothing can erase, is the only memento which I possess of the painful accident which led to our marriage.—London Society.

Law of Divorce in Arabia.

Many Americans are inclined to think that in no country is divorce so readily and expeditiously obtained as in theirs. But in Arabia and some other Mohammedan lands a man can, it is said, get rid of his wife on the slightest pretext. Some Arabs, barely 40 years old, have been known to have had forty wives—one for each year of their life—and they seldom wed before 16 or 17, or have more than one wife at a time. By the Mussulmanic law a husband may put aside his wife without any form or ceremony, merely by oral declaration and by repayment of a portion, usually one-third of her dowry. He may put her aside twice, and take her again, even without her consent, but if he repudiate her a third time she can be recovered only after a fully consummated marriage with and divorce from a second man. This involves some awkwardness and inconvenience.

When a Mohammedan, having twice dismissed his wife, wants her once more, he selects the oldest, feeblest and poorest man he can find, and induces him with a certain sum to discharge the legal requirements and release his bride on the morrow. It happens occasionally that the intermediary husband, however, after having entered into the covenant and received the money, refuses to relinquish his wife, especially if she be pretty and rich. He demands more money, and extends his claims until he secures it. Hence men who divorce their wives for trifles once or twice are comparatively careful not to divorce them the third time, since the intermediate husband is an untoward fellow to manage.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Results of the High-Pressure System.

What would be thought of a man who set fire to his winter supply of coal in a heap some day in December, and aided the combustion by pouring on kerosene to make it burn faster? But this would be slight folly compared with what many people are doing. A prominent citizen of a Maine city, a young man, was taken sick a few days ago, and the physician at his first visit said the man had no chance for life, because he had used up his vital force by overwork that no strength was left to withstand the disease. Since his death church, Sunday school, business associates, family, and hosts of other friends have been testifying to the worth and labors of the deceased and the great loss sustained by his death. It is worth much to leave such a record behind one, but it would be better to so care for one's health as to make the service more lasting. However, the ones who especially need to take this lesson to heart are usually the last to do so.—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

The Paleolithic Man a Potter.

Last year, in the cave of Nabrigas, France, M. Martel found, in immediate contact with the remains of at least two skeletons of the great Quaternary beat, nine fragments of human skulls, of which one left superior maxillary had three teeth, and a piece of rough pottery, not turned in a lathe. The question whether, in the stone age, man, the cotemporary of the reindeer and great bear, was acquainted with the use of pottery is much debated. The curious point about the present find is that fifty years ago, before the birth of "prehistory," M. Jolly found in this very cave of Nabrigas a fragment of a large vessel in contact with the skull of a fossil bear. M. Martel is strongly persuaded that fossil man of the paleolithic age was acquainted with the potter's art.—Nature.

How to Buy a Cheap Bonnet.

A Louisville lady says that milliners are the sharpest dealers on earth, and suit their prices to their customers' pocket-books. She knows, for, after trying vainly to buy a bonnet for less than the $30 asked, she went home and described the bonnet to her servant, who went to the shop and bought it for $12.—Exchange.

SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.

H. H. GRANICE - - - - - - - - - - - - EDITOR

SONOMA, OCT. 23, 1886.

Communications upon matters of local or general interest solicited.

Communications designed to call attention to any matter of limited or individual interest will not be inserted unless paid for as an advertisement.

The author's real name must accompany all communications, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. This rule will not be deviated from.

DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING.

As will be seen by announcement in these columns the Democrats will hold a grand rally at Union Hall next Tuesday evening. Addresses will be made by Col. J. J. Tobin, Hon. F. D. Nicol, Hon. E. C. Hinshaw, Geo. Pearce, Judge Cavanagh and the Democratic nominees for county offices. The Sonoma Brass Band has been engaged for the occasion and a big time is anticipated. The principal speakers of the evening will be Col. Tobin and F. D. Nicol and they will discuss the principal issues of the day in a style peculiarly their own. Everybody is invited to be present.

THE efforts of Congress last session to forfeit the unearned lands of the Northern Pacific Railroad appear likely to be eclipsed by a plan now in progress of elaboration by the law officers of the General Land Office, and soon to be put in operation by the Secretary of the Interior Department. Some time since the Secretary of the Interior decided that no land-grant road had earned its grant until it had filed the completed plat of its whole road and the land donated. Taking this rule as a guiding principle the law officers of the General Land Office are preparing a case against the Northern Pacific road, alleging it is not entitled to the land granted it from Duluth to Puget Sound, by reason of its failure to earn those lands and file a plat within the prescribed time. It takes the ground that the road could not earn the entire grant, and upon this hypothesis the General Land Office will ask the Secretary of the Interior to declare these lands forfeited and open to settlement.

FIRST Assistant Postmaster-General A. T. Stevenson has submitted to the Postmaster-General his annual report upon the operations of his Bureau for the fiscal year which ended June 30th. It shows the number of postoffices established during the year is 3,482; number discontinued, 1,120; net increase, 2,362; whole number of postoffices, 53,614; number filled by appointment of the President, 2,244; number filled by appointment by the Postmaster-General, 51,349. The appointments made during the year are given as follows: On resignations and commisions expired, 9,112; increase compared with the previous year, 2,908; on removals and suspensions, 9,566; increase compared with the previous year, 8,756; on deaths of postmasters, 537; on establishment of new postoffices, 3,482. Total, 22,747. General Stevenson renews his recommendation of last year that the Government pay rent for postoffices of the third class.

A DISPATCH from New York says: 'Chas. Crocker, who is in this city, states that it is the intention of the Southern Pacific Company to honeycomb the State of California with local feeders to the Southern Pacific. The rich valleys and mineral hills of the State are now going to be populated and developed in dead earnest by the Southern Pacific Company. The building of the new roads will be begun at once in several sections."

THE "St. Helena Times" man clips bodily from the columns of the INDEX-TRIBUNE an article descriptive of the Green Oaks Vineyard, situated near Sonoma, and publishes the same in his issue of the 13th instant without the proper credit. Say, Major, do you consider that the proper caper?

THE Secretary of War has ordered General Sheridan to send Geronimo and fourteen of his band to Fort Pickens, Fla., to be kept in close custody until further orders, and the other Apaches captured at the same time to be taken to Fort Marion, Fla.

BAD ROADS—THE SUPERVISORS TO BLAME.

Complaints reach this office of the bad condition of the public roads in various parts of this road district. That these complaints are not made without good cause is patent to any one who has had occasion to travel any considerable distance over them. In some places the bridges are sadly out of repair, while in others the roads are badly cut up and need to be filled in that traveling over them may be made possible the coming Winter. That these bad places have not all been repaired by our Roadmaster the past year is no fault of his, but is due to the short-sighted policy of the Board of Supervisors. That august body has seen fit for a number of years to appropriate a sum of money for road purposes altogether inadequate for the wants of the several road districts, and the result is the general complaint heard all over the county of the bad state of our roads. When we consider the extreme liberality of the Supervisors in appropriating the people's money in that artesian-well experiment and the still further extravagant waste in luxuriously furnishing the offices in the new Court House for well-fed county officials to lounge around in and take life easy, it is simply outrageous that so small an allowance is made each year for road purposes.

Most of the complaints about the condition of our roads come from the farmers. And who among us has a better right to cry out for reform in road matters? They pay, and cheerfully, too, the bulk of taxes collected to defray the expenses of the county government, and to this class more than to any other must Sonoma county look for her future prosperity and greatness. Therefore, we say that our Supervisors are pursuing a policy in regard to road matters that is detrimental to the interests of all classes and an outrage on the farming community.

Sensible Advice.

[Tulare Register.]

"Come now, average voter, let us reason together. On the second day of November you are to assist in selecting a number of public servants. Suppose that the responsibility of selecting those servants rested with you alone, whom would you choose? Does the fact that others are to take part in the selection of these servants relieve you of any responsibility? Are you not in honor bound to do your part toward selecting these servants as honestly and with as much regard for the public good as though you were to select them alone? Put yourself in the place of the State and county, and vote as you would vote were you the only party in interest. If you would not trust a man with your business, if you would not employ him to serve you, don't vote to intrust him with public business, and don't vote to give him public employment. We plead for honesty and fair dealing on election day. There is need of more conscience in our elections.

Sickness at Petaluma.

A dispatch to the "Examiner" from Petaluma says: There is an unusual amount of sickness in this place at the present time and business is suffering in consequence. The sickness is of that character which chiefly comes from bad and insufficient drainage, and typhoid fever is almost epidemic. There are are not less than thirty cases of it in the town at the present writing. The progressive people here are talking about a new and complete system of sewerage which will conduct the drainage a considerable distance from town, and also for an ordinance which will do away with cesspools and independent drains.

An interesting experiment, showing influence of electricity on the growth of roots, has been made in Germany by Prof. Holdenfleiss. Plates of copper were thrust upright into the earth and connected by wires with similarly placed zinc plates about 100 feet distant—an 'electric battery being thus formed, with the earth between the copper and zinc in the circuit. Both potatoes and beets planted between such plants gave an increased yield—beets 15 per cent, potatoes 25 per cent—as compared with other parts of the same field.

A REVOLUTION is impending in Mexico. The scheme is to consolidate the adversaries of the present administration, create a new party, make Diaz Dictator for ten years, elect a new Congress and frame a new Constitution.

A GUN-BARREL CROWBAR.

A Scrap of History of the Early Days at Clear Lake.

[Lower Lake Press.]

"That crowbar seems, in its better days, to have been the barrel of a rifle." This remark was made to Frank Hanson by our reporter, a few days since while at his house in Weldom Valley. "Yes," said Frank, "and it has an interesting history, which if you care to hear, I will briefly relate." Being requested to do so, he went on to say: "That crowbar, in its rifle days, caused the death of two men. It was in 1856 or '57, I believe, that the gun of which that barrel was a part, belonged to Jack Smith, who was stopping with a man named Bruce, near this end of the lake. There was a small island near the lake shore upon which Bruce at times drove his cattle for pasturage. A man by the name of Taylor disputed Bruce's right to the possession of the island. One morning Bruce sent Jack Smith to drive his cattle over to the island. Jack shouldered his rifle and started on his errand. In those early days every man carried a rifle or weapon of some kind when away from home. Taylor intercepted Jack as he was driving the cattle and forbade him to take the stock on the disputed island, and, to enforce his claim, he drew his rifle and leveled it at Smith. Jack immediately threw his rifle in position and told Taylor to drop his gun. The latter not complying Jack touched the hair trigger, a sharp report rang out on the morning air, and Taylor fell dead with a bullet-hole through his left fore-arm and breast. There was but one shot fired and the course of the bullet showed that Taylor had his gun in shooting position at the time he was killed. The bullet-hole in the arm was conclusive proof of that fact. Well, this was a part of Napa county at that time and Napa City was the county-seat, some 80 miles distant. Jack made no effort to leave, but remained here until he was arrested. At his preliminary examination he was discharged because of some technicality. Subsequently he was indicted by a Grand Jury and again arrested. His trial came on, and for some reason, I do not remember, his friends and witnesses knew nothing of it, he was convicted upon the testimony of one witness, Taylor's wife. There were two eye witnesses to the homicide, besides the wife of the deceased. Those two men were indicted with Smith as accomplices to the killing. Learning of their indictments they ran away to avoid arrest, and left poor Jack without a witness to his defense. When the news reached the lake there was great excitement among the people here. A crowd of 50 or 60 men gathered together, and resolved to go to Napa and help him out of the difficulty. I was one of that crowd. We all knew Jack Smith well, and knew him to be an honest, harmless and well-intentioned man. We knew that he would never have killed Taylor only as the last resort to save his own life. We therefore sent a delegation of our number to Napa to apprise Jack of our intention to rescue him. Our plans being revealed to him he at once entered an emphatic protest against anything of the kind being done which we had in view. He said he was an innocent man in the sight of God and that he never would leave that jail except as a free and vindicated man, or go to his doom upon the gallows. Our earnest appeals to him were in vain. We assured him of the certainty of his execution, but he would consent to no attempt at his rescue. He said the Jailor could safely leave his prison doors wide open—that he would never leave other than as a free man. That he told truly what was in his mind was shown by his conduct at one time while confined there in jail. The prisoners by some means broke jail and made their escape. As soon as Smith could get out, he went to the Jailor's door, woke him up and told him that the prisoners had broke out and were escaping. The Jailor remarked, "yes, and you are a d——d fool for not going too." Jack made the same remark that is accredited to him above—that he was an "innocent man and would never leave there only as a free man." Well, all our entreaties with him were in vain. He would not consent to a rescue. An effort was made for a reprieve, but for some reason, want of time, I believe, nothing ever came of it. Thus we had to leave him to an unjust fate. He went to his death a brave and good man and a judicial murder was then committed. There now you have a scrap of the history of that old crowbar." It occured to us that that old relict of a rifle should be filed away among the archives of our Criminal Courts, and produced as a silent witness for the defense in all capital cases where there is a rational doubt of the defendant's guilt.

Change of Time.

See the new time table of the Sonoma Valley Railroad, which takes effect Sunday, October 31st. It will be found among our new advertisements to-day.

THE Fruit-Growers' Convention, under the auspices of the State Board of Horticulture, will meet at Sacramento on November 15th.

If you want a first-class buggy cheap, apply at this office.

The Democratic delegation from Analy and Petaluma townships met at Petaluma last week and nominated O. M. LeFebvre for Supervisor.

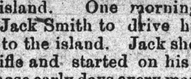
Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria are spread by contagion, by the transfer of living matter from the skin, the membraneous lining of the mouth, nose and throat, and from the intestines and urinary organs. Disinfect promptly and thoroughly with Darbys Prophylactic Fluid, the great germ destroyer. Prof. H. T. LUPTON, of the Vanderbilt University, Tenn., says: "As a disinfectant and detergent Darbys Prophylactic Fluid is superior to any preparation with which I am acquainted."

BORN.

HARPER—Near Sonoma, October 11th, to the wife of John Harper, a daughter.

NEW TO-DAY.

McHarvey & Hope,



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DEMOCRATIC

MASS MEETINGS

—AT—

UNION HALL, SONOMA.

Tuesday Evening, Oct. 26th

—AND—

Saturday Evening, Oct. 30th.

The following Speakers will Address the People on TUESDAY EVENING, Oct. 26th:

COL. J. J. TOBIN,

HON. F. D. NICOL,

HON. E. C. HINSHAW. HON. GEO. PEARCE. JUDGE CAVANAGH.

—AND—

The Democratic Nominees for County Offices.

The following Speakers will Address the People on Saturday evening, Oct. 30th:

A. B. WARE, ESQ.,

HON. W. E. M'CONNELL,

T. J. GEARY, ESQ.,

FRANK K. LANE, ESQ.

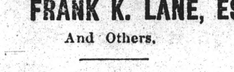
And Others.

☞ Everybody Invited. Come and hear the Truth. Seats reserved for Ladies.

Music by the Sonoma Brass Band.

GEO. W. SPARKS,
Of County Committee.

SONOMA VALLEY RAILROAD.



TIME SCHEDULE.

Takes Effect October 31, 1886.

Mail & Passenger—Week days only

Bound North			Bound South	
4 00	P M	San Francisco	9 00	A M
6 00	"	Sonoma Landing	7 10	"
6 11	"	Sears' Point	6 55	"
6 23	"	McGill's	6 40	"
6 34	"	Schellville	6 40	"
6 40	"	Vineyard	6 35	"
6 45	"	Buena Vista	6 30	"
6 55	"	Sonoma	6 25	"
7 00	"	Pioneer Grove	6 15	"
7 03	"	Agua Caliente	6 12	"
7 05	"	Watriss'	6 10	"
7 08	"	Madrone	6 07	"
7 11	"	Hill's	6 04	"
7 15	"	Glen Ellen	6 00	"

Through Sunday Excursion.

8 15	A M	San Francisco	6 30	P M
10 05	"	Sonoma Landing	4 40	"
10 17	"	Sears' Point	4 29	"
10 28	"	McGill's	4 20	"
10 39	"	Schellville	4 10	"
10 45	"	Vineyard	4 05	"
10 50	"	Buena Vista	4 00	"
11 00	"	Sonoma	3 55	"
11 5	"	Pioneer Grove	3 46	"
11 08	"	Caliente	3 43	"
11 10	"	Watriss'	3 41	"
11 13	"	Madrone	3 38	"
11 16	"	Hill's	3 35	"
11 20	"	Glen Ellen	3 30	"

Accom. and Freight—Week days

4 00	P M	San Francisco	9 00	A. M.
7 00	A M	Sonoma Landing	5 05	P. M.
9 10	"	Sonoma	3 30	"
9 50	"	Glen Ellen	2 50	"

At Sears' Point, McGill's, Schellville, Vineyard, Buena Vista, Pioneer Grove, Watriss', Whitman's and Hill's trains stop only when signalled.

H. C. WHITING, Superintendent.
W. G. CORBALEY, Ass't Superintendent.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

UNION HOTEL.

S J Chitchel,	S F	J B Pressley, Santa Rosa	
J B Chase,	do	D W Linfield,	do
Wm O'Malley,	do	J T Campbell,	do
M Ratchen,	do	J Tadwig, Jr.,	do
C Berthaus,	do	M Gyon,	do
C C. Huff,	do	Capt Eliason,	do
L Cassel	do	P Grapper,	do
J Alexander,	do	D Healey,	do
D Davis,	do	Gen Whalien, Petaluma	
Hon A J Booth,	do	N King,	do
M Wolff,	do	J B Small, Glen Ellen	
F R Corbaley & fam, city		Jas Liratowasky, Europe	
J N Crawford, Denverton		A M Chico, Sacramento	
B Denaison, Napa,		G F Farnsworth,	do
J L Sothwick, S Leandro		M Ahrens, Guerneville	
M Joest,	do		

POLITICAL CARDS.

☞ Under this head candidates for the various offices will be announced. Fee $5, strictly in advance.

FOR STATE SENATOR.

J. A. BARHAM,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR STATE SENATOR.

Election, November 2d.

FOR ASSESSOR.

Wm. LONGMORE,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR ASSESSOR.

Election, November 2d.

FOR CONSTABLE.

U. P. Vallejo.

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR CONSTABLE SONOMA TOWNSHIP.

Election, November 2d.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

S. AKERS,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,

(Sonoma Township.)

Election, November 2d.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

C. S. Farquar,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Election, November 2d.

FOR AUDITOR & RECORDER.

A. P. Moore.

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR AUDITOR AND RECORDER.

Election, November 2d.

FOR AUDITOR & RECORDER.

J. F. Naughton,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR AUDITOR AND RECORDER.

Election, November 2d.

FOR ASSESSOR.

N. King,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR ASSESSOR.

Election, November 2d.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Harry Brown,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Election, November 2d.

FOR TREASURER.

Geo. A. Tupper,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR TREASURER.

Election, November 2d.

FOR ASSEMBLYMAN.

John Cavanagh,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR THE ASSEMBLY.

(Twenty-fifth Assembly District.)

Election, November 2d.

FOR SHERIFF.

Ed. P. Colgan,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR SHERIFE,

Election, November 2d.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

PETER N. STOFEN,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE for COUNTY TREASURER.

Election, November 2d. td

FOR ASSEMBLYMAN.

JAS. McDONNELL, Jr.

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR THE ASSEMBLY,

(Twenty-fifth Assembly District.)

Election, November 2d.

FOR CORONER AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.

John Tivnen,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE for Coroner and Public Administrator.

Election, November 2d. td

FOR SHERIFF.

C. H. Burger,

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF.

Election, November 2d.

FOR SUP'T PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mrs. Fannie McG. Martin,

REGULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Election, November 2d.

A brand new buggy for sale at a bargain. Will be sold at a sacrifice. Call at this office. *

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SONOMA INDEX - TRIBUNE.

SONOMA, OCT. 23, 1886.

CITY OFFICIAL PAPER.

Hereafter obituaries, funeral notices tributes of respect, etc., will be charged for at the rate of 10 cents per line.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The best of accommodations at the Union Hotel. *

Fine boneless codfish only 8 cents per pound at Christie's. *

Sonoma was visted by a heavy shower of rain on Sunday last.

Nothing new this week in regard to the Santa Rosa railroad scheme.

Dr. F. A. Pauli has applied for letters of administration on the estate of the late Jacob Ahrens.

Fifty-three tramps were seen on the road between this place and Santa Rosa one day this week.

Ed. Wegner has just received a new line of gents' clothing, which he exhibits in a large glass show case.

A Horner sewing machine new and complete for sale at a bargain. Call on Christie. *

Hunting notices printed on cloth and guaranteed to last for years, printed at this office on short notice. *

There was a slight shock of an earthquake felt in this place at 10 o'clock on Friday night of last week.

The small boy who plays circus with the "trick-goat" in his back yard should see that the St. Jacobs Oil bottle is not empty.

Louis Bazoni was the lucky winner of the China tea set given away by Ed. Wegner to the purchasers of tea at his store.

The Union Hotel is doing a rushing business Don't forget that this hotel is becoming more popular every day. *

S. H. Mauzy has a full stock of the latest style gents hats, millinery and fancy goods, besides his large stock of boots and shoes. +

A new bedstead and top mattress for $4, at Badger's Agua Caliente Store. All furniture very cheap. Staple groceries still cheaper, best lard 10cts. *

A. J. Murphy caught forty fine trout in Sonoma creek one day last week. They varied in length from five to eight inches and were hooked inside of three hours.

C. F. McHarvey, formerly of Sonoma, has opened a livery and feed stable in Lakeport, where he has been conducting a harness and saddlery establishment for several years.

The Congregational Church social held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chaplain, on Thursday of last week, was attended by about forty-five ladies and gentlemen, and a pleasant [illegible] was had.

[illegible] was spent by those who attended the surprise party given Mr. and Mrs. Cheney by their friends on Friday evening of last week. The occasion was their twentieth wedding anniversary.

Mr. G. M. Laporte, the barber in Poppe's building, has made arrangements to be in Glen Eden hereafter from Friday noon to Saturday noon of each week. He has fitted up a shop in Gibson's Block, Glen Ellen. *

The Republican nominees for county offices will meet the people of Sonoma at Union Hall, next Friday evening. As this will in all probability be the last meeting of the campaign every Republican should be present.

J. Biggins' bay brown mare, Fannie Parnell, won the mile and repeat race last Saturday at Ukiah, against three competitors. The mare is now on Mr. Biggins' farm, a few miles from Sonoma, where she will remain until the Spring races open next season.

The outdoor concerts by the Sonoma Brass Band have been discontinued on account of the cold weather. They will continue to practice, however, Tuesday and Friday of each week at Weyl's Hall, from 8 to 10 o'clock, and those who desire to listen to some really fine music are welcome to attend.

The Agua Caliente Springs Hotel, having been enlarged and refurnished is now one of the most elegant and attractive summer and winter resorts on the coast. Visitors will find the house supplied with every modern convenience, and no pains will be spared to make their stay pleasant and comfortable. Prices to correspond with the dull times. *

We are pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown of Pioneer Grove, have come off victorious in their suit to decide the ownership of a certain house and lot in San Francisco. They have been put to considerable trouble and expense by designing persons, but have succeeded in establishing to a court and jury that they were the victims of a blackmailing scheme and the property in dispute has been awarded to them.

A short poem by "Playmate" is withheld from publication this week. If the author will send us his or her name the lines will appear in our next issue. It is a rule of this office, which will not be deviated from under any circumstances, that no communications will be admitted into these columns unless accompanied by the author's real name, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith. When this rule is complied with matters of local and general interest will be inserted with the greatest of pleasure.

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GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

The next speaker was Capt. Eliason of Santa Rosa. That gentleman stated at the outset that he was present at the meeting by a mere chance, having come down from Santa Rosa on private business. The Captain kept his hearers in good humor for half an hour, although, as he remarked several times he "was only a ten-minutes-man." After paying a high tribute to each of the Republican county nominees he retired amid a storm of applause.

Mrs. Fannie McG. Martin, Republican nominee for School Superintendent, being espied in the audience, was called upon and responded in a neat speech. Taken unawares and without previous preparation she was equal to the occasion and made some strong points in favor of her candidacy. Among other things, she stated that one of the objections raised against a lady holding the office she seeks was that she would not be able to visit the schools in the remote districts of the county. In answer to this she reminded her hearers that lady teachers were employed in most of these districts and if they were able to reach those places she saw nothing to hinder her from following in their footsteps. The lady was frequently applauded and made a good impression.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Martin's remarks three cheers were given for the Republican party and the meeting stood adjourned.

Singular.

A veterinary surgeon of Santa Rosa performed a surgical operation about two weeks ago on a mare belonging to Capt. H. E. Boyes of this place, and removed a stone from the animal's upper jaw, oblong in shape and 3½ inches in length. The stone had evidently got into the mare's mouth while feeding and becoming wedged in between the back teeth and the check, had gradually worked its way into the flesh until completely hid from view. The stone was removed from the outside and the animal, which was doing poorly before the operation, is fast picking up.

Sale of a Span of Fine Horses.

The fancy span of four-year-old sorrels bred by J. Biggins on his farm near this place, and which have been so much admired by horsemen on our race tracks the past two years, were sold last week to parties in San Francisco at a price satisfactory to the owner. Mr. B.'s stock farm is noted for its fine horse flesh and has never failed to carry off a premium at our District Fairs.

Resigned.

L. Litzius has resigned his position as collector of the Sonoma City Water Works. The delinquent water consumer will heave a big sigh of relief when he reads this, for Litz, the old boy, was a mighty close collector and a terror to delinquents. U. P. Vallejo has been appointed to the vacated position.

A Young Hunter.

Watson DeMerritt, the ten-year-old son of Capt. DeMerritt, on Saturday last, killed a three-year-old deer a few miles from town. Master Watson also killed two large wild cats on his father's place a few months ago.

Long Time Coming.

The "Galt Gazette" of August 28th, reached the Sonoma postoffice last Thursday evening. As Galt is less than 150 miles from this place, it seems to us that paper has been longer on its journey than the distance warrants.

"Michael Strogoff."

Mr. G. C. Stanley, while playing the leading part in "Michael Strogoff," at Oakland, Cal., became so hoarse from a severe cold that he despaired of being able to continue his part. Two bottles of Red Star Cough Cure entirely cured him. Does not nauseate.

We call our readers' attention to the "ad" of S. H. Mauzy, of Petaluma. You will find his prices lower, quality considered, than any house in the county. *

COUNTY ITEMS.

The examination of Van Doren, Petaluma's defaulting bank cashier, commenced in Justice Seawell's Court, Santa Rosa, last Wednesday.

The "Courier" says the vote of Petaluma township this year, according to the Great Register, will be, if all vote, 1,467, an increase over 1884 of 126.

M. Conniff, the Petaluma brute, who recently beat his wife with a chair in a most inhuman manner, has been sentenced to ninety days in the County Jail.

A fire at Guerneville on Monday night destroyed Middleton's shingle mills, and a barn containing a large quantity of hay belonging to Gurne & Murphy. Loss, about $6,000; insurance, $500.

Mrs. Margaret Bishop died at the residence of her daughter, in Ellsworth, Kansas, on the 9th instant. The deceased was the mother of Sheriff Bishop of this county and was 76 years of age.

John Novak, a teamster in the employ of Korbel Bros., Guerneville, on Wednesday last, fell from a logging car, which was standing on the railroad bridge at that place and was precipitated to the bottom of the creek, a distance of fourteen feet, sustaining probably fatal injuries.

George Robinson of Petaluma was seriously injured by an exploding bomb, in that town, last Monday evening. It appears he was setting off fireworks on the occasion of the Republican meeting and a bomb, held under his arm, in some manner became ignited and exploded with the above result.

COUNTY POLITICAL NOTES.

Mrs. R. D. Moore of this place is a cousin of John F. Swift, Republican candidate for Governor.

Ex-Congressman J. K. Luttrell of Glen Ellen, has taken the stump for the Democratic party, and will speak in Oakland next Saturday.

J. A. Barham, the Republican candidate for the State Senate from this county, is a direct cousin of the lamented Abraham Lincoln.

James McDonnell, Jr. ("Little Mac"), Republican nominee for the Assembly from this district, went to Petaluma last Monday and took in the Republican meeting at that place.

John Tivnen and Capt. P. N. Stofen, Democratic candidates for Coroner and Treasurer, came down from Healdsburg last Sunday morning and left early the following morning for Forestville, where they were to join the balance of the Democratic candidates and continue their campaign tour to a finis. Both gentlemen are representative men in Sonoma Valley, where they have resided for many years, and are an honor to the party that have put them forward for the suffrages of the people.

PERSONAL.

Capt. Eliason of Santa Rosa was in town Wednesday.

Gen. Whallen came over from Petaluma Wednesday.

Jesse Burris, W. M. of Sonoma Lodge, No. 14, F. & A. M., visited the Grand Lodge in session last week in San Francisco.

Mrs. Chas. McHarvey, Mrs. Capt. Stofen and Mrs. McIntyre are attending the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, in session in San Francisco.

F. R. Corbaley, accompanied by his family, left for Spokane Falls, W. T., yesterday morning, where they will spend the Winter. If the climate is agreeable it is the intention of Mr. Corbaley to permanently locate there and engage in the stock-raising business.

Roll of Honor.

Following is the roll of honor of the Sonoma public school for the month ending October 15, 1886:

MRS. MARTIN'S ROOM.

Susie Shaw,	Jas. Glynn,
Jno. Skinner	Zoe Clark,
Eddie Ewell,	Jennie DeMerritt,
Lottie Morris,	Pressie Smith,
Millie Skinner,	Grace Lyons,
Florence Linehan,	Grace Perkins,
Susie Cheney,	Anabel McDonnel,
Eva Sydnor,	Alex Martin,
Johanna Tobin,	Gustave Pauli,
Myrta More,	Chester Smith,
Grace Shaw,	Formosa Henderson,
Sarah Jones,	Henry Carriger,
Wm. Glynn,	Carrie Levy,
Florence Campbell,	Charles Cutter,
Lizzie Carriger,	

MISS EWING'S ROOM.

Eddie Burnham,	Robert Bain,
Matilde Balette,	Louis Heydt,
Jacobino Carminata,	Elise Martenet,
Oscar Campbell,	Ferdinand Pauli,
Nellie Litzius,	Adam Adler,
Pearl Manuel,	George Balotte,
Effie McCaskie,	Matilda Cornelius,
Harry Martin,	Willie Dunn,
Nellie Sackett,	Harry Dunn,
Elsie Tobin,	Watson DeMerritt,
Tom Willett,	

MISS HOPE'S ROOM.

Addie Sydnor,	Josephine Enfield,
Harvey Perkins,	Willie Clowe,
Albert Burnham,	Louisa Dormann,
Bertha Campbell,	Mary Jones,
Pauline Bates,	Fred Balotte,
George Carr,	Nettie Thomas,
Henry Kusel,	Adolph Heydt,
Jennie Balette,	Ernestine Fischer,
Asunta Dalpogetto,	Lena Shaw
Charlie Bain,	Ernest Campbell,
May McDonnell,	Clarence Cheney,
Maggie Gough,	Alfred Pauli,
Charlie Stone,	Frank Balette,
Adolph Ludemann,	John Gough.

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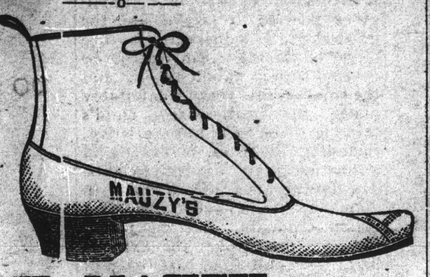

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Republican Meetings

The Republican County Nominees will meet the people of Sonoma County as follows:

Kellogg	Monday, October 4th, at 12 M.
Mark West Springs	Monday, Oct. 4th, 8 P. M.
Fulton	Tuesday, Oct. 5th, at 8 P. M.
Windsor	Wednesday, Oct. 6th, at 8 P. M.
Forestville	Thursday, Oct. 7th, at 8 P. M.
Freestone	Friday, Oct. 8th, at 8 P. M.
Santa Rosa	Saturday, Oct. 9th, at 8 P. M.
Duncan's	Monday, Oct. 11th, at 8 P. M.
Fort Ross	Tuesday, Oct. 12th, at 8 P. M.
Fisk's Mills	Wednesday, Oct. 13th, at 12 M.
Stewart's Point	Wednesday, Oct. 13th, at 8 P. M.
Plantation House	Thursday, Oct. 14th, at 8 P. M.
Sea View	Friday, Oct. 15th, at 8 P. M.
Ingram's	Saturday, Oct. 16th, at 12 M.
Guerneville	Saturday, Oct. 16th, at 8 P. M.
Cloverdale	Monday, Oct. 18th, at 8 P. M.
Geyserville	Wednesday, Oct. 20th, at 8 P. M.
Bodega	Thursday, Oct. 21st, at 8 P. M.
Sebastopol	Friday, Oct. 22d, at 8 P. M.
Healdsburg	Saturday, Oct. 23d, at 8 P. M.
Pomahne	Monday, Oct. 25th, at 8 P. M.
Bloomfield	Tuesday, Oct. 26th, at 8 P. M.
Occidental	Wednesday, Oct. 27th, at 8 P. M.
Glen Ellen	Thursday, Oct. 28th, at 8 P. M.
Sonoma	Friday, Oct. 29th, at 8 P. M.
Petaluma	Saturday, Oct. 30th, at 8 P. M.
Santa Rosa	Monday, Nov. 1st, at 8 P. M.

The members of the Committee in each township will make all necessary arrangements for the meeting in their respective townships.

By order of the Republican County Central Committee. H. W. BYINGTON, Chairman.

R. D. CANNON, Secretary. oc2td

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NOTICE

To Tax-payers.

Notice is hereby given that the city taxes for Sonoma City, for the year 1886, are now due and unless paid prior to November 15, 1886, at 6 P. M., they will become delinquent and 10 per cent. will be added to the amount thereof.

I will be at the City Hall on the following dates to receive the above taxes: October 23d and 30th, and November 6th and 13th, from 2 P. M. to 4 P. M., and November 15th from 2 P. M to 6 P. M.

L. BREITENBACH, City Collector.

Sonoma, Oct. 9, 1886. td

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SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY, OCT. 23, 1886.

THE DAYS OF OLD.

How a Stage Was Robbed in the Early Days of Butte.

[Sacramento Bee.]

He was a weather-beaten individual, about 55 years of age, and his general appearance denoted that he had seen life in its roughest phases. One eye was missing, and also several fingers, while his back was bent and his legs were stiff. His hair was sandy, but thickly streaked with gray, and his face was covered with a long, coarse beard. As he hobbled along past a hotel where State officials and other well-known people congregate each evening to talk politics and smoke their after-dinner cigars, one of the loungers saluted the old man familiarly by saying: "Hello, Bill, old boy; I havn't seen you for years and years. Where have you been keeping yourself?"

The man addressed as Bill stopped, recognized his friend by a hearty hand-shake, and the two walked off arm-in-arm and were seen to enter an irrigating parlor. After a lapse of several minutes they reappeared, and, taking chairs, they began talking over old times.

Bill said that for nearly fifteen years past he had been at work driving stage in Plumas and Lassen counties, but had just returned from his home in Missouri, where he had been visiting friends for a year.

"Judge," said the old veteran of the ribbons to his companion, "do you recollect the time we were on that stage up about Oroville, some time back in the fifties when we were coming down from the diggings about Bidwell's Bar?"

The Judge said

HE HAD REASON TO REMEMBER

That occasion very distinctly, and said he never would forget it.

"That was an exciting old time, Judge," continued Bill, "and I often have to think of it, especially when I look at this fingerless hand. We had on a big load of bullion that day, you'll remember, and we took extra pains to guard it. I was sitting with the driver with a rifle across my knees, and strapped around me was a brace of revolvers, while the driver had a double-barreled shot gun between his knees. I believe, Judge, that you were heeled too, as well as the other passengers on the wagon. All at once a gang of the hardest-looking cut-throats that ever flashed a blade loomed up in the road in front of us. They had the drop on us, but I just took a shot at them for luck. Being a little bit nervous under the circumstanes, the aim was wild and the bullet was wasted. I didn't have time to shoot again and did not have much of an inclination, for bang! went a six-shooter and those digits of mine dropped as if they had been chopped off with a meat-ax. All you other fellows sat still as statues and were pale as ghosts. The robbers carried away the dust and we hurried on to Oroville and got up a crowd to go gunning after the road agents, but it was a wild goose chase."

Old-timers about Oroville distinctly remember the robbery referred to by the old stage-driver and messenger. It was

ONE OF THE LARGEST AND BOLDEST

That ever occurred in that region. It was during the times when fortunes were being constantly uncovered on Feather river and Butte creek, and nearly every stage was weighted down with gold dust. Notwithstanding that the gold was always well guarded, robberies were of frequent occurrence. The robbery referred to paid the road agents something like $30,000, but they were hunted so closely that they never got away with the haul, on account of its weight. Years afterward a man was arrested for some crime and sent to State Prison. He gave up the ghost while in the prison, and on his death-bed related the story of the robbery above Oroville. He said he was a member of the gang of robbers; that the gold was

TOO HEAVY TO CARRY AWAY

And that they took it across Feather river, about one mile and a half from Oroville, and buried it at the foot of a tree. His companions, he said, all disappeared, some dying with their boots on and others leaving the country. He gave a description of the spot where the dust had been buried at the foot of a tree, but to this day it has never been discovered. Searching parties have been formed at different times to hunt for the treasure, and nearly every foot of ground in the field has been overturned. It is said that old miners frequently go out on the hunt for it, but without success, and as the story is told and retold the amount supposed to be buried is greatly enlarged by gossiping tongues. It is a bit of local history as thrilling as the most startling tale of Captain Kidd's exploits and buried fortunes, and it will doubtless last as long as that of the bold buccaneer.

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The Redskin's Aptness to Learn.

Capt. Bogge, a Virginian, who held a captian's license on the Mississippi river before he was of age, and who for fourteen years had the contract to supply the military posts in Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona with fuel, tells the following story:

"I was down in the Ute Reservation in Colorado, and had strolled down to the shores of a small lake, while my mules and teamsters were eating dinner, when I came across a party of about a dozen Indians. They were armed with rifles and were shooting at a snag that stuck out of the water, about two hundred yards distant. The stakes for which they were shooting were composed of a quarter of a dollar from each man. I stood watching them for some time, and then decided to enter the competition. Each man had three shots, and the man who had hit the snag the most times won the pot. The misses were told by the splash in the water; the hits by the absence of the splash.

"After some parley with the redskins, I got them to allow me to enter the match, though they compelled me to deposit half a dollar, while they put in but a quarter. I had a Henry repeater with me, that, fortunately for my purpose, was then unloaded. I was accounted one of the best shots in that country, but knew that the Indians were not by any means slow. I slipped three cartridges into my rifle, and as I did so, I broke the ball off, thus leaving a blank cartridge. Of course no splash followed any of my shots, and the Indians thought I had hit the snag every time. I won that pot, but the next time I intentionally lost by not breaking the balls off, and by taking indifferent aim.

"I then broke all the balls off until I had won $18. Then the Indians, who began to look at me with suspicion or awe, refused to shoot any more. I invited them up to the store and spent the money on knick-knacks, which I divided among them. I then took them back to the lake and showed them the trick. They were very much surprised, but took it in good part.

"On returning that way a few days after I found the same Indians on the lake shore, shooting a big match with a neighboring tribe, whom they were rapidly cleaning out of everything. I learned that they had 'skinned' every Indian in that country that they could get to shoot against them. I said nothing, but mused on the readiness of the savage to adopt the white man's tricks."

Led Astray.

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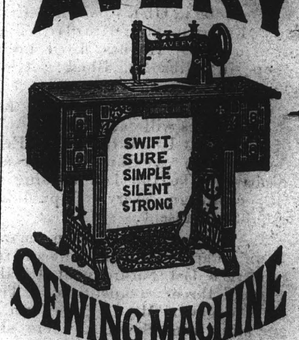

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